Miss Deborah Weston to S. May, Jr.

Weymouth
5 June 1838.

My dear Friends -

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Your kind
letter of sympathy
and remembrance
is most welcome, but
my brothers illness
has prevented me
from thanking you
for it till now. He
is better at present,
but still suffers. The
great restraint he placed
upon his anxieties and

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feelings is telling upon his nervous system, tho' we have kept all as quiet as possible. He was not able to be with my mother at all.

I know that I ought to be thankful for my mothers 93 years of perfect health, brilliant spirits, with mind and intellect unchanged to the last, but that very freedom from

the infirmities of age
makes the parting all
the harder. Her illness
was of several weeks
duration, but it was
not severe, and she
died in her sleep, no
one knowing the
exact moment of her
departure. This was
what she had always
wished. She had
great satisfaction in
life, enjoying it at the
last as at the first,

and only during
the last weeks of her
illness had she a wish
to depart. For several
hours after her death
her early beauty as
described to our child-
-hood by her old friends
seemed to have returned
It was like a light
from beyond shining
upon her —

We have heard
from our friends abroad
who are greatly afflicted
They were planning to be

with us six or a month
or two when the news
arrived. Caroline's
health will not (I
trust) permanently
suffer.

Maria has been for
past fortnight in
N York, with her son
in whose family also
there is great sorrow.
Eleanor Chapmans
sister, Mrs Robinson,
died suddenly at the
birth of her third child

— the first breach
in the Jay family,
and occurring at
a time of great
rejoicing — the en-
— gagement of the
only son — William Jay.

I hope your
dear Mother is at
Milton this summer
it will comfort me
to see her —.

With much regard
in which Caroline unites
ever affectionately yours
A Everett

Dear S.

Will you send this to Mother, when read. – (Muttapram.)

Mother can keep it, until I see her –

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